SHORT NOTICE QUESTION AND ANSWER

NON-SUPPLY OF SUGAR AND FOODGRAINS BY L.S.S., MOTHAKPALLI

36. Sri J. P. SARVESH (Sedam).—

Will the Minister of State for Food and Civil Supplies be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there were complaints against L.S.S. Mothakpalli, Taluka Sedam, District Gulbarga stating that sugar and foodgrains are not supplied to the people of the villages, which are under it ;

(*b*) whether the Tahsildar had conducted enquiry into the matter, if so, the outcome of that enquiry ;

(*c*) the total number of rice bags supplied to the L.S.S. Mothakpalli ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that wholesaleship of the above society has been cancelled ;

(*e*) the number of rice bags seized from the society and how the remaining bags were disposed of ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ (Minister of State for Food and Civil Supplies).—

(*a*) Yes ;

(*b*) The Tahsildar has enquired into the complaint and found that foodgrains were not distributed properly ;

(*c*) 80 quintals of rice were supplied during September 1972 ;

(*d*) Yes ;

(*e*) Out of the allotment of 80 quintals of rice, 57 quintals have been distributed to the public. The Police is reported to have seized 27 bags of rice.

Sri J. P. SARVESH.—The Tahsildar has enquired into the complaint and found that the foodgrains were not distributed properly. May I know what action the Government has taken against this Society and against the office bearers ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—When it was found that the Society was not distributing the foodgrains to the people, the wholesale licence to distribute the foodgrains to 25 surrounding villages was cancelled and only a retail licence was permitted to be held by the Society to distribute the grains only to one village.

Sri J. P. SARVESH.—Out of the 80 quintals of rice supplied to this Society, whether it has come to the notice of Government that this Society which is situated on the border of Andhra Pradesh, has smuggled rice and sugar to the Andhara Pradesh ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—A complaint has been received stating that this Society is indulging in smuggling foodgrains. We have kept a watch on that society and we are alloting a limited quantity of foodgrains to be distributed to the local people. The Village Panchayat has been given permission for distribution of 50 per cent of foodgrains so that we could have a counter-check on the Society.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—In answer to (e) you have stated that "out of the allotment of 80 quintals of rice, 57 quintals have been distributed to the public. The Police is reported to have seized 27 bags of rice". Out of 80 quintals, how can 84 quintals could be seized by the police ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—That is an error in the printing.

Sri M. H. JAYAPRAKASHNARAYAN.—May I know how many villages come under this society and the total number of people who have suffered on account of non-supply of foodgrains ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—This Society was permitted to supply foodgrains to 25 villages but now we have permitted that society to supply foodgrains to one village and the rest of the villages are being catered by the Village Panchayat.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಬೈರೇಗೌಡ.—ಆಂಧ್ರ ಪ್ರದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯದಿಂದ ಧಾನ್ಯವನ್ನು ಸಾಗಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹಲವಾರು ದೂರುಗಳು ಬಂದಿವೆ ಎಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಆದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಏನು ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಇ. ಇ. ವಾಜ್.—ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯದಿಂದ ಆಂಧ್ರಪ್ರದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಗಿಸುವಂತಹ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಏತಕ್ಕೆಂದರೆ ಆಂಧ್ರಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ಬತ್ತವನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಯುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—May I know how many bags have been seized by the Police ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—27 bags have been seized by the Police.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—Just now you stated that it is an error. Fifty-seven quintals have been distributed to the public and 27 quintals have been sezied by the Police. The total comes to 84 quintals. May I know actually how many quintals of rice have been seized by the Police ?

Smt. E. E. VAZ.—Out of 80 quintals, 44 quintals were distributed and the remaining 26 bags have been seized and the rest have been distributed. There was some printing mistake.

Madam SPEAKER.—Question hour is over.